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In re the Application of

Alain TROESCH et al.

Group Art Unit: 1645

Application No.: 10/560,433

Examiner:

N. ARCHIE

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For:

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LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired February 28, 2009, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 216728 in the amount of \$130 in payment for: Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$130.00)

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